

2026 NATIONAL SUFFOLK SALE INFORMATION

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND: Make plans to attend the 2026 *Suffolk Event* in Lebanon, IN. In addition to fellowship and fun, the weekend includes educational seminars, the National Suffolk Sale, banquet and a Junior show. In 2024, 39 head sold for an average of \$1,160. Last year, 44 head sold for an average of \$985. The **Entry Deadline** is May 1.

IMPORTANT CONSIGNOR NOTE: A registration number is required for each entry. We are utilizing Digital Suffolk to build the sale catalog. This will not work if the sheep has not yet been registered. Please contact the USSA Office with any questions. Substitutions will be allowed.

LOCATION: Boone County Fairgrounds, Witham Hall & Centennial Hall Lebanon, Indiana. All sale sheep will be housed in this facility. All sale sheep must be penned by 10 am on Friday, June 5.

PEOPLE'S CHOICE SHOW: Friday, June 5 at 7 pm. Suffolk Event paid attendees, including consignors, help determine the sale order by voting for their favorite entries in each class. The Slido app will be used for voting. The sale preview will be livestreamed via Willoughby Sales and United Suffolk Sheep Association Facebook pages. Sheep can be presented slick or in fleece. Only requirements, as this is an event where the Suffolk breed is on display, the sheep need to be washed within a week of the show and either sheared or cut out in 2026.

SALE: Saturday, June 6, at 11:30 am eastern. Billy MacCauley will be the auctioneer.

ENTRY DEADLINES –May 1: We want to have a digital catalog out ahead of time to prospective buyers so please enter by the deadline. Email entries will be accepted. Emailed entries will not be cataloged until entry fees are received.

ENTRY FEES & SUBMISSION– Entry fees are \$30 for ewes, \$50 for rams, and \$30 for wethers, payable at time of entry.

NEW IN 2026 consignors must enter at least one ewe for each ram consigned. All entries subject to a quality sift.

Maximum of 2 rams per consignor. Ewe lambs can be futurity nominated prior to the sale for \$25 per head. Entry fees are non-refundable. Remember the May 1 deadline, and please be on time!!! Make checks payable to: USSA. **SEND ENTRIES TO: USSA, PO Box 121, Holland, IA 50642 or info@suffolks.org.**

RAM ENTRY: Consignors must enter at least one ewe for each ram consigned.

ENTRY PROCESS: Consignors are encouraged to enter via Digital Suffolk but can also use the enclosed entry form. Include a USSA registration number with each entry as we are using Digital Suffolk to create the catalog. Even if you aren't 100% sure which ones you will bring, enter your best guess. Substitutions will be allowed. Information Sale Day will **NOT** be accepted. **Express Sale Entry with Digital Suffolk! – 1) log in 2) left menu “Flock Mgmt” 3) “Consignments”**

COMMISSION & SALE MANAGEMENT – Willoughby Sales will manage the *Suffolk Event* sale. In addition to the entry fee, 11% of the final bid will be charged as a sales commission.

LATE ENTRIES: All entries received after the deadline date increase to \$60 per head and are not likely to be included in the catalog.

SALE CHECK-IN: Sale check-in from 8 am to 11 am on Friday, June 5 in Centennial Hall. Sale contact Jeremy Geske (612-756-1200). All sale sheep must be penned by 10 am on Friday, June, 5.

CATALOG: A sale catalog will be distributed to prospective buyers prior to the sale and will be posted on the USSA website (and social media). We are using Digital Suffolk to create the catalog so you can upload photos as you have them. We need the registration numbers on all your entries to make this work. Entries without registration numbers will not be accepted.

PHOTOS: Consignors are encouraged to upload photos of sale entries on Digital Suffolk. That way they will be viewable by anyone who receives the digital catalog or scans the QR code of your sheep. Remember to share photos and sale information on social media. Help us get the word out to as many potential buyers as possible.

ENTRY IS OPEN TO: Rams and ewes born after 8/31/2024. Suffolk wethers born after 12/1/2025 are eligible to enter. To consign a ram, an ewe must be consigned. GAP and Percentage registered sheep are eligible to be consigned to this sale.

Sheep that have reached purebred status (94% or 15/16) are eligible to participate in the sale preview. Sheep that are less than 94% are not eligible for the sale preview and will sell separately.

HEALTH REQUIREMENTS: Each consigned animal will need its own health paper **and** 3 photo copies are needed. **All entries must carry a Scrapie ID tag.** You will need to have a Scrapie ID on your Health Papers. ***Though not required for this sale, many states require a negative B Ovis test on any rams over 6 months of age, so consignors are encouraged to have this test if you want your rams eligible to sell into any U.S. state.*** An animal health committee reserves the right to inspect sheep.

ON-LINE BIDDING: There will be an online bidding and viewing option during the sale through wlivestock.com. Consignors will receive additional instructions on submitting information and photos to wlivestock.com via e-mail.

MINIMUM BID: There will be a minimum bid of \$400 (US Dollars) on all entries.

SALE SCHEDULE: All times listed are Eastern time zone. Please refer to the full Event Schedule at www.suffolks.org.

- Thursday, June 4 – Sheep barn open for sale sheep to arrive at noon
- Friday, June 5 – Sale check-in 8 – 11 am
- Friday, June 5 – All sale sheep must be penned by 10 am
- Friday, June 5 – Sale sheep viewing / People's Choice voting 7 pm
- Saturday, June 6 – National Suffolk Sale – 11:30 am eastern also bidding on wlivestock.com

SUFFOLK SALE CONTACT | MAIL BIDS: Jeremy Geske: 612-756-1200 or Jeremy.geske@gmail.com

TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE: There are several options for transporting sheep to and from the National Suffolk Sale listed below. Please contact them directly to discuss fees and arrangements. Consignors heading to most states may have room to deliver purchased sheep. Contact Jeremy Geske for assistance in lining up delivery for online/phone purchases.

East

- Check website for options!

West

- Jeremy Geske (Minnesota) • 612-756-1200
- Wesley Linke (South Dakota) • 605-770-9626
- Joe Olsen (Utah) • 801-362-9493

DNA INFORMATION: Consignors are asked to declare DNA for spider, scrapie and the dwarf gene. The codon provided by consignor will be included on the sale orders, but is not guaranteed by the United Suffolk Sheep Association.

DEFERRED PAYMENT: Consignor settlement checks will be mailed within 30 days of the sale.

JUNIOR SHOW: Sheep sold through the sale are eligible to be shown by the junior buyer on Sunday, June 7, as part of the **Suffolk Event** junior show. There will be classes for fitted and slick-shorn rams and ewes, and a class for Suffolk market lambs. Watch the USSA website and Facebook page and the UJSSA Facebook page for more information on entering the Junior Suffolk Show at the **Suffolk Event**. Contact Chris Auville (540-840-4927) to enter any sheep purchased through the sale by 2 pm Saturday, June 6.

SALE CREDITS FOR FIVE JUNIORS: The United Suffolk Sheep Foundation will award up to five credits, each worth \$500, to eligible juniors who take part in 2026 Suffolk Event youth educational sessions. The names of juniors who participate in 2026 educational sessions will be placed in a drawing, with up to five winners drawn and announced prior to the national sale. The sale credits must be used to purchase Suffolks selling in the National Suffolk Sale, June 6, 2026.